

The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 391.

MONDAY, APRIL 30, 1883.

SIX DOLLARS PER QUARTER.

For Sale.

HOME CURED SUFFOLK BACON.

WE have been Appointed Sole Agents for the Sale in China, Japan, and Manila, of EDWARD HEART'S well-known HOME CURED SUFFOLK BACON, HAMS, and BATH CHAPS, and have arranged to receive regular monthly Supplies.

A Shipment has arrived per Steamship *Glenfruin*, and to prevent disappointment, as the Supply is limited, we shall be glad to receive Orders as soon as possible, or to open a List of Customers who may desire to be regularly supplied.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1883. [296]

Insurances.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 290,553.95

TOTAL CAPITAL and ACCUMULATIONS, 8th May, 1882.....Tls. 940,553.95

DIRECTORS.

H. DE C. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
J. H. PINCKVOSS, Esq., Wm. MEYERINK, Esq.,
A. J. M. INVERARITY, Esq., G. H. WHEELER, Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH.

Messrs. BARKING BROTHERS & Co., Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,
88 and 89, Cornhill, E.C.

POLICIES granted on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

Subject to a charge of 12 per cent. for Interest on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business (whether Shareholders or not) in proportion to the premia paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1883. [83]

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS for the NEW YORK BOARD of UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

RECORD OF AMERICAN and FOREIGN SHIPPING.

Agents,
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [457]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.)

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN

HEAD OFFICE,

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [106]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000, EQUAL \$833,333.33.
RESERVE FUND.....\$70,858.27.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq., LEE YAT LAU, Esq.,
Lo Yock Moon, Esq., CHU CHIK NUNG, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1882. [601]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. ANTONIO JOSE DA FONSECA is AUTHORIZED to Sign my name per procuration from this date.

M. A. DOS REMEDIOS.

Macao, 26th April, 1883. [333]

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. J. BRADLEE SMITH, having returned to the Colony, will resume his duties as SECRETARY to the above Company on and from the 23rd instant.

WM. REINERS

Chairman, Board of Directors.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1883. [315]

NOTICE.

CAPTAIN G. C. ANDERSON will act as SURVEYOR for the BUREAU VERITAS at this Port until further notice.

ROBT. MCMURDO.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1883. [292]

Auctions.

FURNITURE SALE.
ELEGANT ENGLISH and CANTON MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions from EDMUND SHARP, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, at his Residence, Robinson Road, on

FRIDAY,

the 4th May, at NOON,—
THE WHOLE OF HIS
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—
DRAWING ROOM:—
HANDSOME CARVED BOMBAY BLACK-
WOOD TABLE, MAHOGANY MARBLE-
TOP TABLE, CRETONNE COVERED
COUCHES and CHAIRS, OLEOGRAPH,
GASALIER, MIRRORS, &c.

DINING ROOM:—
CARVED SIDEBOARD, WHATNOT,
MAHOGANY MOROCCO COVERED
CHAIRS, PLATED, GLASS and CROCKERY
WARE, FENDER and FIRE IRONS, CAR-
PETS, STATUETTES, &c.

BED ROOMS:—
TEAK and MAHOGANY WARDROBES,
MAHOGANY BEDSTEADS, MARBLE-TOP
DRESSING TABLES and WASHSTANDS,
SERAIRIE, BATH TUBS, &c.

Also,
An ALCOCK'S PATENT COMBINED MA-
HOGANY DINING and BILLIARD TABLE
complete with CUES and BALLS.
A HANDSOME INDIAN CARPET.
Choice Collection of PLANTS in POTS.
&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the Furniture will be on view, the day previous to the Sale.

TERMS.—Cash.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1883. [329]

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

LESSEE and MANAGER.....E. S. WOLFE.
STAGE MANAGER.....O. T. JACKSON.
CONDUCTOR.....R. THORNE.
LEADER OF STRING AND J. NEIHOF.

BRASS BANDS

FOR A SHORT SEASON
COMMENCING

SATURDAY, the 5th May.

THE
MASTODON STAR
MINSTRELS.

NEWLY RE-ORGANISED on a GRAND SCALE FOR
A TOUR THROUGH THE EAST.

HAVING just finished a series of most suc-
cessful Seasons throughout the whole of
the Australasian Colonies.

26. PERFORMERS 26.
MUSIC MIRTH

An Inexhaustible Fund of Wit and Humour
without the slightest semblance of Vulgarity.

8. BONES 8
4. VIZ. 4
DOUBLE QUARTETTE OF SWEET
VOICES.

12. SONG & DANCE ARTISTES 12
ORCHESTRA 16 INSTRUMENTALISTS.
8. STATUE CLOG DANCERS 8.
THE GREAT AMERICAN SAND JIG TOURNAMENT.

THE BLACK MAGNETS
in
THEIR CONTORTION SONGS & DANCES.

All the Latest Ballads, Comic Songs, Witicisms,
Farces, and Burlesque Operas will be pro-
duced during the Season including the
Extravaganza on H.M.S. Pinafore
entitled

H.M.S. PIN-A-4
(IN BLACK)

AND THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE ENTITLED
THE PIRATES OF PENN'S UNKLES.

ALSO BURLESQUES ON
THE BOHEMIAN GIRL and MARITANA.
Complete change of Programme each
Performance which will take place every alternate
night.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Dress Circle.....\$2.50.
Orchestra Stalls.....\$2.00.
Back Seats.....\$1.00.
Box Plan now open at Messrs. KELLY &
WALSH's where Seats can be secured, and where
Subscription Packets are obtainable containing:
6.—Dress Circle Tickets for.....\$12.
6.—Orchestra Stalls for.....\$10.

Performance will commence at 8 o'clock.
M. J. ABRAHAM,
Business Agent.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1883. [332]

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that ORIGINAL
SCRIP CERTIFICATE No. 1973, dated
18th June, 1880, for THREE SHARES in the above
Company, standing in the name of REUBEN
SOLOMON has been LOST, and should the
same not be produced before the 9th May next,
a Duplicate thereof will be issued to REUBEN
SOLOMON, and no transaction taking place
under the said ORIGINAL SCRIP CERTIFICATE,
No. 1973, will be recognized by the Company.

By Order,
D. McLAURIN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883. [278]

Intimations.

KELLY & WALSH'S
LIST OF NEWLY IMPORTED TOBACCOS AND
CIGARETTES.

TOBACCOS.

RICHMOND GEM CURLY CUT.
SWEET CAPORAL.
CAPORALS.
TRIPLE ALLIANCE.
EXTRA BRIGHT VIRGINIA.
LONG CUT VIRGINIA.
TURKISH MIXTURE.
COCK ROBIN.
BRIGHT AMERICAN BIRD'S EYE.
UGLY CUT (CAVENDISH).
PERIQUE VIRGINIA MIXTURE.
VETERAN.
WILK'S BRISTOL BIRD'S EYE.
HAVANA CIGARS OF THE CHOICEST BRANDS; MANILA CIGARS AND CHEROOTS,
THOROUGHLY WELL SEASONED.

TOBACCOS—(CONTINUED.)

OLD JUDGE.
HAWY THOUGHT—Medium Strength.
DOLLAR BRAND—Full Strength.
STAR MIXTURE—Mild.
GOLDEN EAGLE—Medium Strength.

CIGARETTES.

LITTLE BEAUTIES.
OLD JUDGE.
CAPORAL.
CAPORAL.
RICHMOND GEM.
RUSSIAN CIGARETTES.
THE CHOICEST BRANDS; MANILA CIGARS AND CHEROOTS,
THOROUGHLY WELL SEASONED.

NEW GOODS JUST RECEIVED.

New Assortment of Cut Scraps.
New Pass Partouts.
Call Bells.
New Photo Albums for Cabinets only.
News Cutting Scrap Books.
Canton Drawing Pencils in Boxes of 6 Grades.
Skeleton Guard Books.
Invoice Guard Books.
Prepared Charcoal for Drawing.
SPECIALTY.—ANTI COCKROACH VARNISH effectually prevents the destruction of
Books by Cockroaches. It neither injures the binding, nor produces the objectionable sticky
appearance common with Chinese Varnishes.—Sole Proprietors.

Perry's Patent Ventilating Garters.
Portable Dressing Cases for Gentlemen.
Prang's Wall Plaques.
Miniature Plaques for Hand Painting.
New Chit Books and Chit Cases.
Limp Leather Manuscript Books.
Cheap Manuscript and Note Books.
Novelties in Purses, Portmonnies, Ladys' Com-
panions, Hand Bags, &c.

KELLY & WALSH—HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1883. [560]

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED.

MY QUEEN WALTZ.
VIOLETTES WALTZ.
LE PREMIER PAS POLKA.
ALL WALDTEUFEL'S WALTZES.

SWEETHEARTS' WALTZ.
OFFICERS' WALTZ.
TRUE TILL DEATH SONG.
CRAMER'S DANCE ALBUMS.

NEW BOOKS.

BABER'S TRAVELS IN WESTERN CHINA.
MAX MULLER'S INDIA.
CRANE'S LECTURES ON ART.
NEW PARLIAMENTARY BLUE BOOKS
ON CHINA.

LECKY'S WRINKLES IN NAVIGATION.
PARALLEL NEW TESTAMENTS.
THE AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND.
LANDELL'S THROUGH SIBERIA.
GLAZEBROOK'S PHYSICAL OPTICS.
THE AGE OF FIRE AND GRAVEL BY
DONNELLY.

SEDGWICK'S LIGHT.
GAELIC PROVERBS.
FOREIGN OFFICE LIST.

SWINBURNE'S POEMS AND BALLADS.
PROCTOR'S LEISURE READINGS.
CASSELL'S DICTIONARY OF COOKERY.
MARKHAM'S WAR BETWEEN PERU
AND CHILI.

COAN'S LIFE IN HAWAII.
OSWALD'S ZOOLOGICAL STUDIES.
GRIFFITH'S COREA.

BONWICK'S PORT PHILLIP SETTLE-
MENT.
NEW SYSTEMS OF LEARNING LAN-
GUAGES.

ARTISTS' GOODS IN GREAT VARIETY.
BEZIQUE and SOUEZER PLAYING
CARDS.

NEW FANCY GOODS.

W. BREWER,
QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [703]

JUST RECEIVED.

A CHOICE ASSORTMENT

OF

SHOES.

CHILDRENS'.....FROM \$0.35 PER PAIR.

LADIES'.....FROM \$1.00 PER PAIR.

ROSE & CO.

31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [379]

SAYLE & CO.'S SHOWROOMS.

SAYLE & CO.

NEW SPRING GOODS.

EX S.S. "GLENCOE."

WHITE DRESS MATERIALS.
CREAM DRESS MATERIALS.
NUNS' VEILINGS in every Color.
SUMMER BEIGES in every Color.
GALATEAS for Boys' Washing Suits.
WHITE INDIA MUSLINS.
MULL CORD MUSLINS.
WHITE VICTORIA LAWNS.
BLACK and COLORED SUNSHADES.
LADIES' PATENT LEATHER SLIPPERS.
LADIES' & CHILDRENS' BOOTS & SHOES.

EX S.S. "GLENOGLE."

New Patterns in POMPADOUR SATEENS.
Plain, Colored SATEENS in every Shade.
FRENCH PERCALES in every Pattern.
FRENCHES in ZEPHYR CHECKS.
CANVAS CORSETS for Summer Wear.
SUMMER PAJAMAH FLANNELS.
Novelties in LADIES' SILK UMBRELLAS.
Trimmed and Untrimmed HATS & BONNETS.
A Choice Selection of FLOWERS.
OSTRICH TIPS & FLATS in Light Colours.
INKSTANDS in Great Variety.

A LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

SAYLE & CO.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [249]

STAG HOTEL,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR
VISITORS.

ENGLISH & AMERICAN BILLIARDS.
Tiffin at One o'clock, Dinner at 7 o'clock.

This HOTEL is centrally situated and
within easy distance of the principal landing
places.

J. COOK, Proprietor.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1882. [663]

F. D. GUEDES.

WINE MERCHANT AND GENERAL
COMMISSION AGENT.

No. 5, D'AGUILAR STREET.

Always on hand a large assortment of
CHOICE WINES of the best quality, at
Moderate Prices.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1882. [663]

Consignees.

UNION LINE.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"MOSSER."

Captain Longley, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo, are hereby re-
quested to send in their Bills of Lading to the
Undersigned for Countersignature and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods from along-
side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer
will be at once landed and stored at Consignees'
risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be
effected.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on to Yoko-
hama, unless notice to the contrary be given
before 5 P.M. TO-DAY.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 3rd
May, or they will not be recognised.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1883. [234]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship
"CITY OF PEKING"

from San Francisco, &c., are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature
and to take immediate delivery of their
Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer, will
be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.

F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1883. [1]

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVER-
LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, AND
SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship
"CITY OF PEKING,"

will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yoko-
hama and Honolulu, on SATURDAY, the
5th May, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and
Freight for Japan, Honolulu, the United
States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports,
to Honolulu, San Francisco, and Atlantic and
Indian Cities of the United States, via the
Railways, Yoko-hama, Honolulu, and Panama,
and to ports in Mexico, Central and South
America, by the Company's and connecting
Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who
have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Fran-
cisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within
six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 per
cent. from Return Fare; if re-embarking within
one year, an allowance of 10 per cent. will be
made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return
Passage Orders, available for one year, will be
issued at a Discount of 25 per cent. from Return
Fare. These allowances do not apply to through
fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.
on the 4th May. Parcel Packages will be
received at the Office until 4 P.M. same day;
all Parcel Packages should be marked to ad-
dress in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices
in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector
of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1883. [1]

To be Let.

TO LET.

No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET,
No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
late occupied by PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

No. 7, GARDEN ROAD (at present occupied by
Messrs. DERTZEN & Co., and will be vacant
on the 30th June next).

No. 25A, PRAYA CENTRAL.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883. [7]

TO LET.

A TWO STOREY HOUSE (6 Rooms)
with GARDEN, in Mosque Junction. The
above has Gas and Water laid on; and im-
mediate possession can be had.

For Particulars apply to
D. NOWROJEE,
Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [18]

TO LET.

FOR ONE YEAR from June next, the New
BUNGALOW at the PEAK on R.B. Lot
20, now roofed in and nearly completed, the
property of Mr. J. FINSTON SQUIRE.

For all information, apply to
R. G. ALFORD,
Surveyor, &c.

Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [397]

INTIMATION.

SIGNOR ANTONIO CATTANEO, of the
CONSERVATOIRE DE BERGAMO and late
of the ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY, has
the honor to inform the community that he has
arranged to remain in Hongkong, and will give
lessons in Music, Singing and the Piano-forte.

CHARGES STRICTLY MODERATE.
Address—Messrs. KELLY & WALSH,
Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [168]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.

FOR NAGASAKI.

THE Steamship
"BELGIC,"

Captain Cameron, will be despatched for the
above Port, TO-MORROW, the 1st May, at DAY-
LIGHT.

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO.

FAMILY AND DISPENSING
CHEMISTS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES,
PERFUMERS,
IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS
OF
MANILA CIGARS,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
AND
MANUFACTURERS
OF
AERATED WATERS.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY,
24, NANKIN ROAD, SHANGHAI.

BOTICA INGLESA,
14, ESCALTA, MANILA.

THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON.

THE DISPENSARY, FOCHOW.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 30, 1883.

Writing on the vexed question of marriage with the sister of a deceased wife, which has for so many years past been made the subject of warm controversies in all grades of society at home, the San Francisco Bulletin says:—

It is not lawful in England for a man to marry the sister of his deceased wife. During the last ten years a considerable change has occurred in the public feeling of that country touching the expediency of such a law. The opposition to any such restriction has been steadily gaining ground until it now includes a great number of the most influential men of Great Britain. Recently inquiries of a semi-official character have been sent to this country concerning the operation of laws which place no restriction on the marriage of a deceased wife's sister. Except one lugubrious view taken by a Church of England divine, whose field for the present is in New York, nothing has been uttered thus far, which has come under observation, at all discouraging the present freedom of the law in this respect.

Indeed, the inquiry made in such a formal way, leads many to wonder what evils are theoretically prevented by a prohibitory law. As a general rule outside of one or two ecclesiastical bodies there is no show of opposition. The sister of a deceased wife does not come within any of the prohibited degrees of consanguinity. There is often the most satisfactory reason why she should become the wife of the man who had been the husband of her deceased sister. She may have had the care of the children, may have ministered to the first wife in her illness, and in various ways may have become, as it were, the natural successor of her sister. So far as there are any data touching on such marriages in this country, they appear to have resulted favorably. Certain it is that no evils have resulted from them calling for any civil remedy. In Great Britain one or more members of the royal family have taken strong ground against the law which forbids the marriage of a deceased wife's sister.

These marriages are constantly occurring. The parties coming within the prohibition simply go to some other country, are married, return and pay no further attention to the law. The end of prohibition, one would think, consisted largely in compelling parties to leave the country to evade a law, the justness and propriety of which is now sharply challenged. The law which imposes this restriction is of ecclesiastical origin. It is held, from that point of view with a sort of mediæval narrowness and tenacity. The very fact that an official inquiry has been set on foot in England touching the justness and expediency of this restriction, is evidence that the question has been earnestly raised and is now pressed for a more enlightened decision.

In the United States we are not accustomed to hear that there is anything wrong in the marriage of a deceased wife's sister. And if the propriety of such a proceeding were now earnestly raised, it would strike most people as very absurd, and hardly worth spending one's breath about. The individual judges for himself of the expediency of such a proceeding. If he is impressed that it is a fitting thing for him to do, and it often is, he marries his deceased wife's sister without asking the approving judgement of the community. In short, in most cases he does not concern

himself at all as to what the community may think about it. He assumes that there are no questions to be raised about the matter except by the two parties immediately concerned. There have been a few cases of ecclesiastical discipline in this country in former years where some minister violated the rule of his particular denomination in marrying his deceased wife's sister. But we rarely hear of any similar instance in these latter times. In short, the custom of the country in this matter has crystallized into something like common law, that if a man wants to marry his deceased wife's sister and the other party is willing, they can proceed without hindrance or censure.

TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, April 28th.

THE IRISH CONSPIRACY.

Numerous arrests have been made in Ireland through informers.

ANOTHER DEATH SENTENCE.

Another Phoenix Park murderer has been sentenced to death.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A REGULAR CONVOCACTION of Victoria Chapter, No. 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, this evening at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely.

DAVID JONES, of England, a seaman, was this morning served with 24 hours' board and lodging for indulging too freely in fire water on the evening of last Saturday.

AN Australian contemporary states that Mr. Wm. Rees, a well-known and experienced sugar planter at Fiji, left Melbourne early in April for North Borneo with the object of examining the country and reporting to a Melbourne company.

THOMAS WATSON, a fireman on board the British steamer *De Boy*, was provided by Captain Thomsett this morning with a free passage on board his floating home and ordered to pay a 50 cents fine for being drunk and incapable on Saturday last.

NO results of the Shanghai Races had reached us when we went to press. A telegram received early in the day stated that owing to recent heavy rains the course was a regular quagmire. A still later wire announced that the weather was clearing up and prospects brightening.

AN inquest was held at 2.30 p.m., to-day at the Government Civil Hospital on the body of a female infant, aged 18 months, who was left in the Wanchai Road by the woman who is in custody. The woman states she was taking the child to the convent and it died on the way.

ADAM BRENNER, chief engineer of the steamer *Breconshire*, announced before Captain Thomsett this morning on a charge of causing the death of Ng Aking, alias Alan, on board the *Breconshire* on the 27th instant, while on the passage up from Singapore. Mr. Dennys appeared for the chief engineer. As the case is of a very serious nature, and is likely to last for some days, we deem it judicious to withhold the evidence until the conclusion of the enquiry.

FROM the report of the E. & A. Co's, steamship *Bowen*, Capt. Craig, which arrived here yesterday afternoon, it will be seen that this favourite passenger clipper has been in for another dose of foul weather. It is only two days ago since the *Bowen*, on her way up from the Colonies, encountered a severe typhoon off the south end of the Philippines, and she would now appear to have come across a terrific storm in much the same locality. Notwithstanding the severe weather the *Bowen* has encountered, she has made a capital trip up with a full complement of saloon passengers, 200 Chinese, and a full cargo, and has not as much as sprung a nut or split a hen coop. It has been rumoured for some time past that the *Bowen* is about to be taken off the Australian line, and if this report is true it is to be hoped that her place will be taken by a ship with equal passenger accommodation to meet the requirements of a rapidly growing trade which is, as yet, only in its infancy.

OUR contemporary the Sydney Bulletin has the following paragraph respecting the mighty "Trompet-blower"—Herr Bandmann has been a brilliant success in India, as the following letter of his to the Calcutta Statesman and Friend of India will show:—"Calcutta, January 29, 1883. Sir,—I have read your report in this morning's Rag—otherwise called the Statesman. It was sent to me by one of your friends. I'm not surprised over the Billingsgate infamy. Your Treachery all along to me led me to no other expectations from such a Judas as you are. You have been, and are still trying to mislead the public, and throw dirt upon my good name, and had I time and did I consider it worth the trouble I should put you in jail as I did your confederate in Hongkong, and where such curs like you ought to be. Publish this letter intact if you have the courage. But you have not. You can only stab in the dark like a coward.—Yours, Daniel Edward Bandmann. My address is College Hall, Madras." The Statesman did publish the letter, though no type could give a correct idea of the Herr's wonderful handwriting, and observed with laconic force, "we have no hesitation in saying that Herr Bandmann is a blackguard," while the Indian World closes a kindly notice of the mighty tragedian thus:—"To gain the respect of the public, an actor must be also a gentleman. Herr Bandmann is neither; but a type of that insinuating nuisance only to be met with on the grimy boards of a penny show, a ranting, blustering, ignorant numskull." So it will be understood that Herr Bandmann was a brilliant success in India, and was sent to jail in Hongkong for his treachery to the Statesman.

The Indian journals took up the cause of their Hongkong brother and flayed Bandmann whenever they got a chance.

THE visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended April 29th, were:—European 366, Chinese 2,705; total 3,071.

HIS Excellency Governor Sir George Bowen has been pleased to recognise Mr. Goro Hirabe as in charge of the Japanese Consulate at this port during the absence on leave of Mr. Taro Ando.

A STATEMENT showing the receipts and payments of the colony for the past year, together with a comparative statement of revenue and expenditure for 1881 and 1882, and a very well written annual report from Mr. Lister, the Postmaster General, are published for the information of the public in Saturday's issue of the Government Gazette.

SAYS the Sydney Bulletin:—Ministers of the Crown are in N.S.W. held in high respect. The Hon. the Minister of Public Instruction was on Saturday last crossing Pitt-street to get into a bus, and in doing so placed himself in the way of a dray, the driver of which requested him to "Get out of the way, you fool!" The honourable gentleman at once complied with the request, and "glide" into his bus wearing that sweet and confiding smile which has done so much in the way of endearing him to the electors.

THE last news from Madagascar appears in a Sydney contemporary. In writing from Antananarivo, the capital, a correspondent says:—"The city is full of armed men, and every smithy re-sounds with the noise of the blacksmith's hammer. Spears are being made in thousands, old arms repaired, and new ones issued. A war with the French is popular among the ignorant masses, whom the Prince Minister has so long kept in check. Not a labourer is to be had to do any work, all being busily employed making gunpowder bullets, and dynamite, of which latter article, it appears, there is a very large quantity being manufactured by a Geismann."

THE following is (says the Times Vienna correspondent) the text of El Mahdi's message to the Abyssinian chiefs:—"We send you our greeting, and wish you health, prosperity, and many years to live. Follow our example, and take up the sword in the cause of Allah and his prophet, so that the faith of Islam may spread! If you do this, I send troops to join our army, which already numbers 40,000 well-armed fighting men, we shall regard you as our brothers, and share our booty with you. You will have gold, silver, arms, multicoloured embroidered garments, and also beautiful slaves in abundance. Thus you will be able to enjoy life. Our common enemy is the Nazarene, whether he comes from Egypt or Abyssinia; and as the descendant of Mehemet Ali does not blush to be the ally of the Christians, the Faithful must make war on him also. Therefore waver not, and take up the sword."

WITH reference to the annexation of New Guinea by Queensland the Brisbane correspondent of the Sydney Echo writes:—"It is generally believed that the Queensland Government, pending a reply from the Imperial authorities to their request for the necessary permission to annex New Guinea, have completed all the arrangements for formally taking possession in the name of Her Majesty of such portions of that island as are not claimed by the Dutch." A later telegram from Cooktown states it is reported there that the steamer *Menmuir* received instructions from the Premier to Mr. Chester, Police Magistrate at Thursday Island, for the latter to immediately take possession of New Guinea, on behalf of Queensland, but nothing is officially known of this circumstance in Sydney. The Premier, however, stated at a banquet at Bundaberg that the Government intended to take possession of the island pending a reply from the Imperial authorities.

WE (Amoy Gazette) learn that on the 17th instant the British three masted schooner *Willie*, Captain Olsen, sighted a native boat to the north of Foochow with five men in it. There being a strong N. E. gale blowing at the time, he bore down on it and asked them if they would leave their boat and come on board, and on their replying in the affirmative he ordered ropes to be thrown to them, and ran close to the boat at the same time, but unfortunately through there being no one steering the boat she capized and four men were drowned, the fifth caught hold of the chain plates, but could not hold on; Captain Olsen immediately threw a life buoy, put the ship about and then got the ship's boat out and rescued the man. His statement when he got on board was, that the junk to which he belonged left two boats out at sea and ran into Foochow because it was coming on to blow. He had had nothing to eat for five days.

THE scientific correspondent of the Melbourne Age, writing from Paris, says:—"Dr. Dumont-Apellier continues his interesting researches at the Pitié Hospital on cataplexy and the independent functions of the hemispheres of the brain. Thus the experiments on a female patient by placing the fingers of her left hand on her lips as if in the act of making a kissing welcome, and the left side of her face thus expresses joy. Next he places the right arm as if in the act of repelling something horrible, and the right side of the face expresses terror. The patient thus affords the astonishing spectacle of a double and contradictory facial expression. One half of the face smiles, the other reflects horror. Only in the case of puppets and a showman were such contrasts hitherto to be seen. The same illusions were practised with the senses of hearing, seeing, and smelling, humorous but extraordinary, but demonstrating that 'by different excitations' an opposite working of the cerebral hemispheres can be produced. Equally strange, another patient was kneeling, the doctor pressed the right side of the head, the finger of the right hand stopped, on pressing the middle of the hand the fingers resumed work. Similar results ensued on acting on the left side of the head. To conclude one side of the face to laugh, and the other to weep is no small scientific triumph, and pregnant with psychological consequences, as demonstrating the predominance of one polarity of the brain over the other."

WE regret to hear from Swatow of the failure of the well known firm of Dircks & Co. of that port. The only particulars that have reached us are that the comprador has absconded, and the head of the firm had attempted suicide.

THE last descendant of the famous Portuguese navigator Magellan appeared the other day in a Paris Police Court; but nothing could have been more distinguished than the way in which, when asked by the magistrate to give his name in full, he apologised for having detained the Court, explaining that he was "Jeronimo Callo de Magalhães da Gama Monez Vellasco Sarmento Alarcao Bulhões de San de Maria Salcama."

THE sum of \$13,000,000 voted for the reconstruction of the fortresses of Strasburg and Metz, according to the Cologne Gazette, has all been expended, and a further sum of \$150,000 will be asked for soon. Previous to the war of 1870 Strasburg had only a fortified rampart, but the Germans have provided it with twelve detached forts, nine of which are on the Rhine, and all of them are completed except the external works of Mundelsheim and the Altheimer Kof.

MR. JAMES ANDERSON, of Messrs. McEwen, Frickel and Co's., appeared before Captain Thomsett this morning charging Wan Achat, a coolie in the employ of the establishment, with stealing a bottle of porter. Mr. Anderson stated that on the 28th instant he saw Mr. Wan put a bottle of porter up his sleeve and walk out of the shop. Complainant followed and stopped the worshipper of Bacchus. Defendant admitted the charge and retired into the Hotel for a term of one month to indulge in the healthful exercise of ockum picking and shot drill.

FRENCH senators are pretty plain spoken in the National Assembly, and lately the Irish obstructionists have introduced a good deal of rowdiness into the British House of Commons, but when Greek meets Greek in "the tug of war" all other legislative bodies must take a back seat. Here is a recent specimen of amenities in the Greek Legislature:—M. Dimitrakakis: "You lie!" [Tumult.] M. Mandalos: "I repeat it." M. Dimitrakakis: "Then you are a liar!" M. Mandalos: "And you're another!" For this speech M. Mandalos gets his ears boxed, while seven deputies attack him with sticks, upon which the sitting is suspended amid cries and vociferations.

IT is not generally known, remarks the Sydney Bulletin, that the Kaiser of Germany and the Crown Prince are on cool terms. William, it may be remarked, has a good many of the sunny social proclivities of George the First (of glorious memory), and one morning the Prince, having important business with the Emperor, sought his apartments without ceremony, by a private stair. On the landing he met a fat woman, with her hair in curlpapers, and a dusky flannel gown. "How," demanded the Prince of an enquiry who stood near—"how is it that the Palace sweepers are allowed on the Emperor's staircase?" "That's not a sweeper, your Highness," was the reply, "that's"—Anyhow, next time young William saw "his" wife, he perceived that she was huffed. So, as we have said, they are cool.

SPECIAL information which reaches us (says the Colonist) from the Transvaal more than confirms the intelligence which we published recently concerning the extraordinary richness of the goldfields in the Transvaal. There are at the present time at least 500 diggers steadily at work at De Kaap, and paying duty on considerable quantities of gold. The wealth of the auriferous deposit here, however, is entirely eclipsed by that of the Berlin reef, in the Leydenburg goldfields. The report of a competent English geologist, acting on behalf of a company which is about to purchase the property, testifies that the minimum average yield of gold in the reef is 16 oz. for every ton of quartz; while as much as 1000 oz. have been procured from a ton of quartz. It is clear that the district about the Drakensberg Mountains, on the eastern side of the Transvaal, is wonderfully rich in gold.

SHE had been called an old maid and rather resented it. She said: "I am past thirty. I have a good home. I think you know I have had abundant opportunities to marry. I have been bridesmaid a score of times. I ask myself with which one of the beautiful girls that I have seen take the marriage vow would I exchange to-day. Not one. Some are lying apart from their husbands; some are divorced; some are wives of drunken men; some are hanging on the ragged edge of society, endeavoring to keep up appearances; some are tending to support and educate their children, and these are the least miserable; some tread the narrow line beyond the boundary of which lies the mysterious land, and some have gone out into the darkness of unknown horrors, and some are dead. A few there are who are loved and honored wives—mothers with happy homes; but, alas! only a very few."

LI AKING, bangle maker, was up before Captain Thomsett this morning on a charge of stealing three silver buttons yesterday. Wong Akin, widow, stated that yesterday at 11 a.m. she was "doing a grovel" inside a joss house. While she was lighting a candle the defendant came from behind and cut two of her buttons off, afterwards playing a similar trick to another woman's jacket. The enterprising Celestial then ran away, when she ran after him and had him arrested. Chung Ng Kiu, a married woman, corroborated the statement made by the last witness, she being the other woman, whose buttons were cut off. Lau Ahoi, P.C. 262 while on duty yesterday, near the Tin Hau Temple, heard a cry of "stop thief." He saw the prisoner running out of the temple with the two last witnesses after him. He collared the runaway and on searching his sacred person did not find anything. Li stated in his defence that he had accidentally trodden on a man's toes who gave him one in the apple pie repository for his awkwardness. He cleared the camp to avoid a repetition of the blow. He swore he never hid an eye or any silver button that day. Notwithstanding the eloquent speech, Mr. Li was committed to the House of Correction for one month's imprisonment with hard labor.

THE first attempt to raise the steamship *Carlsbrooke* was made this forenoon, and when our reporter left a considerable amount of success had been attained. The vessel had been moved about a hundred feet, and matters were progressing most satisfactorily.

TAM AIN, a chow provider, was up before Mr. Wodehouse this morning on a charge of using abusive language towards Miss Mary Patterson, one of the fair denizens of Cochrane Street. It appears that the "boss maiden" of the house had last Saturday ordered a coolie to hang out of the window some matting for the purpose of drying the same. The matting accidentally fell into the street, close to defendant's shop door. Tam, in a wild rage, came out of his shop and commenced to tear the matting in a very reckless way. The charming Miss Patterson told him in soft and melodious tones to knock off his tander and leave the matting alone. The exasperated Tam turned his frenzy upon the gentle "dove," and made use of some very nasty and uncomplimentary language, actually causing a blush to mantle on Mary's cheeks. The boisterous language soon caused a select congregation of bye-standers to roll up. In his defence the chow supplier stated that he was picking the matting from the ground as it was in his way. He never used anything but gentle and sweet language. Miss Rubenstein, who lives in the "dovecot" with Miss Patterson, generally corroborated the statement of that charmer, and the violent Tam was ordered to pay \$2 or undergo a fortnight's confinement.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders in the above Company was held to-day at noon, in the offices of the general managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., when there were present, Messrs. J. J. Bell Irving (chairman), C. D. Bottomley, A. P. MacEwen (directors), Dr. Adams, H. Maclean, G. C. Cox, C. P. Chater, W. N. Bain, E. L. Woodin, Woolley, and E. F. Alford (secretary).

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting and the Chairman proposed the following special resolution for confirmation:—

"That each of the existing Shares of the Company be divided into Four Shares of \$250; upon each of which the sum of \$50 shall be credited as paid-up."

The proposition was seconded by Mr. Bottomley and carried unanimously.

This concluded the business.

"THE BUFFS" ASSAULT-AT-ARMS.

COMMITTEE.
Major Halabala, Hon. Secy.
Capt. Gibson, Hon. Secy.
Sergt. Major Gibson, Hon. Secy.
SUB-COMMITTEE.
C. Sergt. Milne, Hon. Secy.
JUDGE.
Sergt. Mulholland.

The sport loving East Kent Regiment introduced a novelty into the usual programme of Hongkong pastimes, by inviting the community to attend an Assault-at-Arms at the Garrison Gymnasium on the afternoon of Saturday last. This branch of athletics, although new to this colony, has for many years been a favorite kind of entertainment with many athletic clubs in London, and with our military friends at Aldershot it has long been a regular and popular form of amusement. The officers of "The Buffs" as General Sargent likes to designate his old regiment, are to be commended for the encouragement they give the men to interest themselves in athletic pastimes. By taking an active part in these sports, the soldiers are kept in good hard condition, which renders the routine of their daily duties a mere nothing; they are further necessarily compelled—presuming they wish to excel in whatever athletic pastime they go in for—to abstain from every kind of excess, and the inevitable results are that they improve their health, put themselves in the best possible condition to resist the effects of the trying climate, save the hard earned pittance which a munificent government considers sufficient remuneration for her protectors services, and become in every respect better men and better soldiers. Although the same liberties cannot be taken with the human frame in the relaxing climate of a semi-tropical place like Hongkong as can with impunity be indulged in at home, we hold that a judicious amount of training will both physically and mentally improve all classes of men, and we therefore say that the officers of "The Buffs," who not only encourage cricket, football, and athletics of various descriptions, but actually take part with the men in all these pastimes, are entitled to great credit for their very laudable efforts to improve those placed under their charge.

"The Buffs" had made extensive and convenient arrangements for their guests on Saturday. A commodious match had been erected for a stand, and refreshments were provided without stint. The attendance was a very large one and included many ladies and a great number of our leading residents. Along the slope by the side of the swimming bath at the eastern end of the quadrangle in which the sports were held, the "Old Buffs" were lined out in great strength, and amongst the white tunics of the soldiers we were glad to see a goodly sprinkling of the blue jackets of the sailors from the American men-of-war in harbour. The band of the regiment was in attendance and played a choice musical selection in excellent form during the afternoon.

Proceedings commenced with a bout at fencing between Instructor Mulholland and Colour Sergeant Giles, both men playing rather wildly, although the veteran Mulholland carried by far too many guns for his opponent. Lieutenant A'Leith with the broadsword opposed Captain Davis with the bayonet, and after a rather rough and tumble business, the honors were about evenly divided. Sword versus bayonet is a favorite item with professors at assault-at-arms in England, but in skillful hands the bayonet almost invariably comes off victorious. Private Lewis had a gay time when he faced Instructor Mulholland for a round with single sticks, but to do both justice, the old warrior used his waddy superior skill with great consideration while the youngster took his gruel pluckily, and without once showing temper. Privates Ashworth and Chamberlain pounded each other manfully with the gloves, and made up for lack of science by the thoroughness with which both meant genuine business. In the broadsword contest Mulholland was far too good for Sergeant Giles' skill it was not all one way, as the last named broke down the Instructor's defence several times and had some very good things to say to the Instructor. The old English game of tuck-at-arms produced a stiff tussle between Privates Holland and Sheppard, the latter ultimately receiving an injury to one of his hands which necessitated his retirement. The first half of the programme terminated with the well-

known gymnastic performance, the vaulting horse, in which officers, non-commissioned officers and men, showed considerable ability, and were heartily applauded.

The second part of the entertainment began with bayonet exercise by a squad of the regiment, the precision with which every movement was performed showing that the men had been thoroughly drilled. The "fencing and salute" in which Lieut. D'Aeth, Sergeants Mulholland, and Western, Corporal Mann, and Privates Lewis and Chamberlain took part, was exceedingly well done, and merited the applause which came from all sides. Colour Sergeant Giles showed more skill in the manipulation of the bayonet than Private Jones, but the latter had the advantage in strength and stamina, and generally got the best of the game when it came to close quarters. When the younger combatant got his opponent into trouble, he was rewarded by cheers and laughter from his comrades, who evidently enjoyed seeing their superior officer "getting it hot." After a fencing bout between the Instructor and one of his pupils, the first named had another turn with the single sticks against Lewis, four others eventually joining in and belabouring each other with great gusto amidst shouts of laughter from the spectators. The ubiquitous Jones was again to the fore in a boxing bout with Private Holland, a far heavier and more powerful man. Like their predecessors in the "manly art," these two "professors" made up for their lack of skill by hitting each other all over the ring. Holland, with his superiority in weight and strength, ought to have smothered his opponent easily, but as he appeared unable to make any use of his right hand, and always kept his face unguarded when he popped in his left jab, he made some sort of a show in using both hands, at the finish the younger man had a long way the best of the points. The entertainment concluded with performances on the parallel and horizontal bars, in which Instructor Mulholland, Lieutenants D'Aeth, Daughish and Lloyd and one or two others, whose names we were unable to obtain, took part. The various gymnastic feats were gone through in a very graceful style, and reflected credit on all concerned.

Taken altogether the assault-at-arms was a most successful one, and we have to tender our acknowledgements to the "The Buffs" for providing such an enjoyable afternoon's amusement.

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

We take the subjoined telegraphic items of general news from our Sydney exchanges received by the E. and A. Company's steamer *Bowen*, Capt. Craig, which arrived in harbour late yesterday afternoon:—

LONDON, March 28th.
Cape Colony is massing troops in Tembuland, with the view of using force if necessary to drive the Boers, who have already collected a considerable number of troops, out of that part of the country.

It is reported that Peru has been so thoroughly exhausted in the war with Chile that she has accepted the terms of peace insisted on by the leaders of the Chilean army. These will include the cession of the Peruvian province of Tarapaca to Chile, and the town of Tacna, in the department of Arequipa, the principal commercial centre for the southern portion of Bolivia, with Africa, its seaport—twenty-five miles to southwest—to Bolivia.

Sir Hercules Robinson, Governor of the Cape, will leave Capetown for England on the 24th April next.

News has been received from South Africa to the effect that the Zulus are making raids upon the Boers in the Transvaal.

Sir John Pope Hennessy, the newly appointed Governor of the Mauritius, will sail for his new sphere of labour on the 10th of May.

The four Cuban refugees who were surrendered to the Spanish Government by the late Governor of Gibraltar will shortly be released.

Herr Zorngren has been instructed by the Prussian authorities to proceed to London as envoy, to represent the grievances of the Boers to the Imperial Government.

The Marquis of Salisbury, who is on a short visit to Birmingham, addressed a public meeting of the supporters of the Conservative party in that city last night. In the course of his speech he stated that the unstable nature of the general policy of the Government was such as to entirely alienate the confidence of the country from the present administration.

The Right Hon. A. J. Mundella, M.P., has recovered from the effects of a chest illness, and his physician hopes that he will be able to resume his Parliamentary duties at an early date.

The 21 prisoners who were recently arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the murder of a man named Ferrick at Ballinrobe last June were released from custody yesterday, the evidence of their complicity in the crime not being sufficiently clear.

The Right Rev. Dr. Benson was to-day enthroned as Archbishop of Canterbury. Bishops Thornton (Bathurst), Russell (ex-Bishop of Queensland), Perry (ex-Bishop of Melbourne), and Bromby (ex-Bishop of Tasmania) acted in the ceremony, which was a very imposing one, and witnessed by a great concourse of people.

March 30th.
The Basutos are soliciting the rule of England, but it is understood that they are willing to accept the authority of the colonial Government at Cape Town.

The House of Commons has pronounced in favour of a uniform charge of 6d. for telegrams throughout the country, instead of 1s. as at present.

The Admiralty have issued orders for Her Majesty's ships, on the Australian station, to be called to be sold. It is reported that H.M.S. *Albatross* and *Swinger* will replace the *Albatross* on the station.

The Italian press denies that the P. and O. Company have abandoned Brindisi as a calling place for their steamers. The company, in explaining the matter, point out that the plans for the adoption of the Marseilles route are as yet incomplete, and that the company are not prepared to give up Brindisi until they are satisfied that the new route is a better one.

The Marquis of Salisbury has expressed the opinion that, in the event of the colonies and foreign countries increasing their protective duties, England would be called upon to reduce the question of free trade.

The United States Government refuses to interfere at present in any way with the Irish-American dynamite party.

Considerable excitement prevails among the inhabitants of Albany who fear an Austrian occupation. A great sensation has been caused in this city by the murder of Herr Magliani, the President of the Court of Cassation. His house was entered last night by burglars, and whilst in the act of disturbing them in their operations they attacked him, and strangled him to death.

LONDON, March 30th.
It is reported on good authority, and is believed, that Germany, Austria, and Italy have agreed to a treaty for the purpose of maintaining the status quo in the Balkans, and to prevent any further expansion of the Russian Empire.

LONDON, April 1st.
Fenians have threatened to destroy the General Post Office in London by means of dynamite, unless the Phoenix Park murderers are immediately released from prison.

The race for the Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase was run on 30th ultimo with the following result:—
Mr. Clayton's b. m. Zedone, by Mars—Florence, 6 yrs. 11st. 1st.
Mr. George's b. g. Black Prince, by Vesper of Galway—Express, aged, 10st. 4lb. 2nd.
Mr. Bunbury's b. h. Mohican, by Uncas—Castanet, 6 yrs., 12st. 1lb. 3rd.

President Arthur has delivered an address in which he referred at some length to the Irish question, and its bearing upon America. He stated that it was impossible for the United States Government to adopt any decisive policy with regard to the actions of the Fenians in the United States. So long as they kept within the limits of the law the Government was powerless to interfere, either to suppress their meetings or to restrict their speeches.

The report that evidence of an important character had been found in connection with the recent attack upon Lady Florence Dixie, is said to be unfounded.

Despatches which have been received from Basutoland intimate that the people are in favour of a return to British rule.

Mr. James Davey, First Gentleman of the Chamber in the Rolls Court, has been appointed Master of the Rolls, as successor to the Right Hon. Sir George Jessel, deceased. [Reuter says Sir W. J. Brett is to fill the position.]

The directors of the P. and O. Company have explained that the recent announcement to the effect that after July next the Company's steamers would call at Marseilles instead of Brindisi will only apply to the P. and O. steamers on the China line.

It is reported that the Orleans princes are disposing of their estates in France.

PARIS, April 1st.
General Thibaudin, Minister for War in the French Government, has suppressed certain cavalry manoeuvres which are about to take place in Paris, disavowing the allegiance of General de Gallifet, commander of the cavalry.

LONDON, April 2nd.
It is reported that Fenians are enclosing infection in the linen sent home to ladies whose husbands are deemed obnoxious to the Fenian party.

The statement that Germany, Austria, and Italy had formally entered into a triple alliance, has been officially denied on the part of Italy.

The Poor Law Board elections have proved adverse to the Parnellite party.

April 3rd.
The Liberal party have determined not to oppose the election of Mr. Giles, the Tory candidate, who has come forward for the seat for Southampton in the House of Commons rendered vacant by the elevation of Mr. C. P. Butt, Q.C., to the Judicial Bench.

The police have succeeded in effecting another arrest in connection with the recent attempt to land explosive substances at Liverpool.

Further discoveries of dynamite have been made at Cork.

A letter has been found at Cork in which O'Donovan Rossa explains the use of infernal machines.

The Russian Nihilists have announced that the plans for the intended attack on the Czar on the occasion of his approaching coronation have been arranged, and they have warned the guests of the Czar to avoid his Majesty at the ceremony.

The Amer of Afghanistan (Abdurham Khan) has intimated his intention to visit India in the autumn.

Mr. Justice Field has been appointed to succeed the Right Hon. Sir W. B. Brett as one of the judges of the High Court of Justice.

An encounter has taken place between a number of Montenegrins and Albanians, in which 34 of the combatants were killed, while many others were wounded.

Patrick Egan and Sheridan, the Irish Land Leaguers, who are at present in New York, have expressed their desire that the Chicago Convention should declare in favour of the use of dynamite.

PARIS, April 2nd.
The Radicals are urging the expulsion of the Legation officers from the army.

M. Campenon and M. Leon Say are likely to replace General Thibaudin and M. Tirard in the French Ministry, as Minister for War and Minister of Finance respectively.

LONDON, April 3rd.
Her Majesty the Queen has so far recovered from the effects of her recent accident that she is able to take short drives in Windsor Park; but the injury to her knee still renders her incapable of taking walking exercise, as she is scarcely able to stand without support.

The bill introduced by the Government to provide for the establishment of a Court of Appeal in criminal cases was read a second time in the House of Commons last night.

NEW YORK, April 2nd.
O'Donovan Rossa, one of the most active of the Irish dynamite party in America, has published a statement in which he predicts that the recent explosion in London will shortly be followed by others of even greater violence.

LONDON, April 2nd.
J. J. Walsh, one of the late secretaries of the Irish Land League, sailed from Liverpool to-day for New York.

Returns which have been prepared, and which will be laid before Parliament when the Budget is brought down by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, show that the revenue from all sources during the past 12 months has amounted to \$80,000,000.

News is to hand of a disastrous accident which occurred at Staines (sic). A boiler in connection with some large ironworks suddenly exploded, killing 26 persons and seriously injuring 39 others.

April 4th.
The fund being raised by the Irish "Invincibles" for the defence of the prisoners charged with the Phoenix Park murders and other outrages, has collapsed. The prisoners have applied through their counsel to have the trial delayed.

Mr. Parnell states that in consequence of the divisions among the Irish party in America, he purposes attending a convention to be held there shortly.

The joint Parliamentary Committee to which the question of the construction of the Channel Tunnel was referred, have reported in favour of the expediency of proceeding with the work.

NEW YORK, April 3rd.
News has been received here from Arizona that a company of United States troops sent against the Apache Indians to attack the recent massacre of settlers were led into an ambush and completely destroyed.

LONDON, April 3rd.
Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in the House of Commons yesterday that the disposal of the unclaimed balance of the fund under the Alabama award is a question that does not concern England.

The question of the proposed treaty with Portugal was discussed in the House of Commons last night. A motion was eventually adopted with the assent of Mr. Gladstone, to the effect that the English Government decline to make a treaty with Portugal unless the latter guarantees entire freedom of action to England in the work of civilisation on the Congo River, where the Portuguese claim certain rights, and the establishment of commercial relations with Great Britain.

April 4th.
Two prisoners lately arrested at Cork have been examined privately. The result of the examination leads to the belief that they were connected with the recent dynamite explosions in London.

The King of Ashantee has abdicated, and there is great confusion in the kingdom in consequence.

SYDNEY, April 5th.
The steamer *Tasmania*, which sank in Darling Harbour on Monday, was successfully floated early this morning. The vessel was then pumped dry and towed into Morts dock for repairs.

LONDON, April 5th.
The conduct of a man staying at one of the hotels in the Strand having excited suspicion, information was given to the police, who arrested the man, and found a large quantity of dynamite in his possession. Two other men have since been arrested at Lambeth.

April 6th.
An American named Dalton was arrested yesterday in connection with the dynamite conspiracy.

The police have captured another man who is believed to have been directly concerned in the recent attempt to blow up the Government buildings at Whitehall.

The police at Birmingham to-day took possession of a dynamite factory, and arrested the occupier, who is believed to have been connected with the recent outrages in London.

A mine containing a quantity of dynamite and other explosive substances has been discovered by the police at Moscow. No doubt is entertained that the Nihilists had intended to make an attempt on the life of the Czar.

St. PETERSBURG, April 5th.
Further information in reference to the reported discovery of an explosive mine at Moscow, shows the report to be unfounded.

April 5th.
The Right Hon. H. C. E. Childers, Chancellor of the Exchequer, introduced the Budget in the House of Commons to-night. He stated that the revenue for the past year amounted to \$80,000,000, and the expenditure \$88,875,000. The estimated revenue for the ensuing year is \$88,500,000, and the estimated expenditure \$88,812,500. He proposes to devote £1,700,000 of the surplus to the reduction of the minimum rate on inland telegrams to 6d. He also proposes to entirely abolish the railway passenger duty on fares at a penny per mile, and to reduce the duty on higher fares by 2 per cent. The unallocated balance will be devoted to a reduction of 1d. in the income tax.

ROME, April 5th.
A disastrous accident occurred here to-day. A quantity of dynamite used for blasting purposes exploded, killing forty persons and injuring a large number of others.

LONDON, April 6th.
Sir W. V. Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Home Department, speaking in the House of Commons last night, dwelt upon the gravity of the present situation in view of the activity of the dynamite party, and urged the necessity of further legislation to prevent the use of explosives for felonious and seditious purposes.

LONDON, April 5th.
Thirty young men, natives of Schleswig-Holstein, have been banished by order of the Government, for refusing to join the conscription of the German Army.

BERLIN, April 5th.
The National Theatre in this city was totally destroyed by fire last night. Fortunately the building was empty at the time, therefore there was not any loss of life.

Numerous arrests of Socialists have been made in the seaport town of Kiel, on the Baltic, Cairo, April 5th.

The European residents in Cairo presented urgent petitions to-day to Lord Dufferin, praying for the permanent occupation of Egypt by British forces. Lord Dufferin in replying to the memorialists, intimated that the Government had no intention of finally withdrawing the British troops at the present time.

LONDON, April 5th.
It is rumored that the Earl of Dufferin will shortly succeed the Marquis of Ripon as Viceroy of India.

LONDON, April 5th.
General Thibaudin, the French Minister for War, has conceded to General Gallifet the command of the cavalry manoeuvres, which were lately suppressed in consequence of some distrust as to General Gallifet's intentions.

Later.
The French Cabinet have directed General Gallifet to take command of the cavalry manoeuvres.

The report of General Campenon succeeding General Thibaudin as Minister for War is incorrect, as the Minister will retain his portfolio.

A deputation from the Telke Turcomans will attend the coronation of the Czar at Moscow in May next.

The Czar is about to recall all the Russian officers serving in Bulgaria.

The report that the Fenians were sending infected linen to ladies whose husbands had been together unfounded. A quantity of infected linen has been sent to Lady Harcourt.

None of the Irish members of the House of Commons will attend the Convention about to be held in the United States.

A Fenian named Norman has been arrested at an hotel in the Strand. Two hundred weight of dynamite was found in his possession. Two men who are believed to be his accomplices have been arrested in Southwark, both of whom had dynamite in their possession.

Whitehead, an American, has been arrested at Birmingham. He was also found to be in possession of a cwt. of dynamite.

The increasing activity of the Fenians and the continuous discoveries of explosives are causing some alarm, and additional precautions are being taken to guard Windsor Castle and the various public buildings in London.

Mr. Michael Davitt has spoken strongly against the use of dynamite by the Irish party. The adoption of this policy, he says, will destroy all chance of national and social reforms in Ireland for the next generation.

LONDON, April 5th.
The Chinese Government have notified their willingness to accept a French protectorate of Tonquin on condition of the payment of an annual subsidy by France.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
For Hoihow and Pakhoi—Per *Greyhound*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Nagasaki—Per *Belgic*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.

For Yokohama and Higo—Per *Brisbane*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Swatow, Amoy, & Foochow—Per *Douglas*, on Wednesday, the 2nd May, at 11.30 A.M.
For Hankow—Per *Albany*, on Wednesday, the 2nd May, at 2.30 P.M.

For Amoy and Manila—Per *Don Juan*, on Wednesday, the 2nd May, at 5 P.M.
For Singapore, Penang, and Swatow—Per *Swatow*, on Thursday, the 3rd May, at 4.30 P.M.
For Saigon, Pontianak, Batavia, Samarang, and Sourabaya—Per *Canberra*, on Friday, the 4th May, at 2.30 P.M.

Today's Advertisements.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).
THE Company's Steamship

"JORGUE JUAN."
Captain Thebaud, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-DAY, the 30th instant, at FIVE P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 28th April, 1883. [331]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY.
THE Company's Steamship

"DIAMANTE."
Captain Wright, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-DAY, the 30th inst., at FIVE P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1883. [334]

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.
THE Spanish Steamship

"DON JUAN,"
Captain Marquez, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd May, at FIVE P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BRANDAO & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1883. [337]

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
THE Steamship

"VORTIGERN"
will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY AFTERNOON, the 4th May, at FIVE O'CLOCK.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
AH YON & Co.,
80, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1883. [336]

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.

THE Steamship

"LIBAN,"
Candolle, Commander, will sail on or about MONDAY, the 21st May, for MARSEILLES, VIA SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, and SUEZ; and with leave to call at PENANG and TUTICORIN. In connection with these Steamers the Company runs a Line from MARSEILLES to HAVRE and LONDON, leaving MARSEILLES after arrival of the Steamer from CHINA.

The Company also runs Steamers regularly from MARSEILLES to numerous Ports in the MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA, by which through freight may be booked.

The Company has a Forwarding Agency at Paris, 9, Rue de Rougemont, giving special facilities to Shippers.

Each Steamer carries a Surgeon and Stewardess.

FIRST-CLASS FARE TO MARSEILLES..... \$300.
SECOND-CLASS FARE TO MARSEILLES..... \$240.

RETURN TICKETS are now granted by the Steamers of this line available for the undetermined periods, to be reckoned from the date of arrival at Marseilles of the Steamer for which the Ticket is issued to the date of re-embarkation there of the Holder of the Ticket.

1st CLASS. 2nd CLASS.
6 Months..... \$320..... \$410.
12 "..... 560..... 445.

Special rates are arranged for families.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1883. [333]

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.
ON and after TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 1st May, the hour of departure of the NIGHT-BOATS will be 6 P.M. from HONGKONG, and 5.30 P.M. from CANTON.

By Order,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1883. [338]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE.
DURING my absence Mr. E. L. WOODIN is appointed by the MANAGING DIRECTORS to conduct the Business of this Company at Hongkong.

A. MCIVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1883. [339]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE GOLDEN SCISSOR,
No. 13, POTTINGER STREET.

A. M. ROBIN
(LATE OF T. M. LAWSON'S, CALCUTTA).

TAILOR, Shirt and Breeches Maker and General Outfitter. Mr. ROBIN invites Public Patronage and guarantees a perfect fit at Moderate Charges.

N.B.—Note the address.
THE GOLDEN SCISSOR,
No. 13, Pottinger Street.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1883. [234]

J. M. GUEDES.

HOUSE AND LAND BROKER, AUCTIONEER AND COMMISSION AGENT.
No. 33, WELLINGTON STREET, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [5]

GUEDES & CO.
PRINTERS, STATIONERS, AND BOOKBINDERS.
D'AGUIAR STREET.

EVERY KIND OF WORK EXECUTED WITH ACCURACY, NEATNESS, AND DESPATCH.

VERY MODERATE TERMS.
SELECTED MATERIALS FOR MARKET REPORTS.
Book-binding and Ruling in every style executed at low rates. Workmanship Guaranteed.
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1882. [4]

Intimations.

"NOVELTY STORE,"

MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

JUST RECEIVED.

FANCY Decorated Bohemian Glass-Ware, Watch Stands, Toilet and Perfumery Stands of Parisian Manufacture, in great variety and elegant designs.

Fancy China-ware, Card Trays, Pin Cushions and Powder Cases. Plush and Velvet Work Boxes and Perfumery Stands with superior Cutlery and Cut-glass Scent Bottles.

New and Fancy lot of Walking Sticks. Pinaud's Perfumery, Soaps, Sachets, &c. Fancy Clocks Embedded in Porcelain-ware Plates, latest Novelty of Paris, executed in handsome and elegant designs.

New Patent Double-action Corkscrews. Ladies' Silk Fringing Machines. Briar-root and Cherry-wood Pipes with receptacles for receiving and preventing the juice from running into the mouth.

Real Meerschaum and Amber Cigarette Holders. Nickel and Leather Dog Leads and Collars. Fox-tail Dusters.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING, OF AMERICAN MANUFACTURE:—
OLD JUDGE CIGARETTES.
LITTLE BEAUTY CIGARETTES.
DRAWING ROOM CIGARETTES.

S. MEYERS,
MANAGER.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1883. [28]

For Sale.

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.

SHIPCHANDLERS, STORE-KEEPERS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS, PRAYA CENTRAL.

HAVE RECEIVED EX LATEST ARRIVALS.

AMERICAN CAST STEEL SHOVELS, PICKS.

AXES. HATCHETS. ENGINEERS' & HOUSEHOLD HAMMERS. PATENT BIT-BRACES.

AUGER-BITS. DRILLS. GIMBLETS. SQUARES. PATENT BRASS PADLOCKS & CHEST LOCKS.

MRS. POTT'S PATENT SADIRONS. COOKING STOVES. FAIRBANKS' SCALES. FORCE PUMPS FOR SHIPS' USE. DRILLING MACHINES. BREAST DRILLS, AUTOM. BORING TOOLS.

ANVILS, VICES, AND DRILLS COMBINED. ANVILS. VICES.

HITCHCOCK'S PATENT LAMPS. GLASS CUTTERS. SCROLL SAWS. FAMILY GRINDSTONES. BLACKSMITHS' BELLOWS.

BEST WHITWORTH'S STOCK AND DIES. SCREW WRENCHES. PLANE IRONS. CHISELS. HAMMERS. PINNERS. DIVIDERS.

RULES. METAL SCISSORS. METAL SAWS. TUBE EXPANDERS. OIL FEEDERS. OIL CANS.

SALTER'S SPRING BALANCE SCALES. WESTON'S PATENT TACKLES. PATENT SOCKETS. DISTRESS SIGNALS.

HOLMES' PATENT SIGNAL LIGHTS. FOGHORN. SIGNAL LAMPS. LIFE BUOYS.

BOTTLE WASHING AND CORKING MACHINES. SPARKLING SCHARZHOFFER BEER. FLENSBURG STOCK BEER. MARIENTHALER BEER.

VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN CHAMPAGNE.
Hongkong, 7th October, 1882. [10]

MR. MOORE begs to recommend his GOGO SHAMPOO WASH to the public, as an invaluable preparation for promoting the growth of the hair. The basis of this compound is made of soap roots; the natives of the Philippine Islands never use anything else for washing their hair; they are never found bald, and it is quite common to see the females with hair from 5 to 6 feet long. By constantly using this Shampoo Wash as directed, you will NEVER BE BALD.

The proprietor offers the Wash to the public entirely confident that by its restorative properties it will without fail arrest decaying hair. It completely eradicates scurf, dandruff, and cures all diseases of the scalp. It does not contain any poisonous drugs. By its cooling properties it allays the itching and fever of the scalp, which is the great cause of people losing their hair.

Mr. MOORE has succeeded in being able to put this wash up in bottles without allowing it to ferment, and he will guarantee it to keep any length of time in any climate.

FOR SALE ONLY BY MOORE & Co., VARIETY STORE, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1883. [321]

G. FALCONER & CO. WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS.

AND JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

No. 45, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. [144]

Intimations.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE DIRECTORS are now prepared to receive TENDERS from suitable persons for a term of FIVE YEARS, for the lease of the HONGKONG HOTEL, with FURNITURE complete.

The Building (together with a powerful passenger lift) will comprise after the proposed alterations and additions have been completed, viz:—

THE BASEMENT.
Two Grand Entrances from Polder's Street and Queen's Road. Bar, Billiard, Reading and Smoking Rooms with separate Entrance from Pedder's Street.

A handsomely fitted up Ladies' Room, for the use of visitors and others.
Manager's and General Offices, Kitchens, Store Rooms, &c. &c.

FIRST FLOOR.
A Public Dining Room capable of dining upwards of 70 persons at the same time.

ONE LARGE BREAKFAST ROOM.
FIVE elegant and beautifully fitted up suites of ROOMS, consisting of a Private DINING ROOM, DRAWING ROOM, CARD ROOM, READING ROOM, and BILLIARD ROOM.

TEN Bed Rooms with a Bathroom to each. SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS.
Have each 26 lofty, well ventilated and lighted Bed Rooms, opening out to large Verandahs with a commodious Bath Room for each room.

All the Passages and Corridors throughout the premises are wide and well lighted, most of the furniture will be new and made expressly for the climate.

The special attention of Hotel Keepers and others is drawn to the unusual advantages offered.

Tenders to state sum per annum, and to include taxes. No Tender under \$3,500 per annum will be entertained by the Directors.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1883. [292]

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a GENERAL MEETING OF THE COMPANY, will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 30th day of May, 1883, at TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON, when the following Special Resolutions will be proposed.

1.—That the Capital of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED, be increased from \$200,000 to \$300,000, by the issue of 1,000 new shares of \$100 each to be issued at par.

2.—That each of the said new shares be paid for by the following Calls, that is to say, The sum of \$50 shall be paid in respect of each of the said new shares on the 30th September, 1883, and the balance payable in respect of each of the said new shares shall be paid at such times thereafter, and in such sums any one of which shall not exceed \$25, as the Board of Directors of the Company shall think fit.

3.—That the said new shares be offered in the first instance in such manner, and at such times, as the Board shall think expedient to the persons who shall, on the 30th day of June, 1883, be the registered Holders of the old or present shares, in the proportion of one new share for every two of the said old or present shares, and accepted, or not, within the time limited for that purpose by the Board, and that any new share, or shares, which shall have been offered in manner aforesaid and not accepted within the time limited for that purpose by the Board, shall be disposed of, and allotted, by the Board at such times, to such persons, at such prices, upon such terms as to the amount of dividend to be paid thereon, or otherwise, and generally in such manner and way in every respect as the Board shall in its discretion direct in the interests of the Company.

4.—That subject and without prejudice to any direction of the Board to the contrary, made in pursuance of the immediately preceding resolution, holders for the time being of the said new shares shall be entitled, as from the date of the acceptance thereof within the meaning of Regulation No. 10 of the Articles of Association of the Company to participate in the dividend for the year 1883 to the extent hereinafter mentioned, that is to say,

(a)—They shall not be entitled to receive any part of the dividend distributable in respect of the nine Calendar months ending on the 30th September 1883.

(b)—When and so soon as the dividend for the Three Calendar months ending on the 31st December, 1883, shall have been ascertained

Intimations.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt, President of the United States
New Executive Order in the City of New York
April 24, 1942